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CAPETOWN FOR EMBASSY

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SUBJECT: MOZAMBIQUE: JARDIM REITERATES POSITION; PORTUGUESE IN
MALAWI CRITICIZE GOP ACTION SUSPENDING RELATIONS

1. JARDIM RELEASED PRESS STATEMENT TO BLANTYRE DAILY TIMES AUGUST 2
IN WHICH HE DENIED PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT CHARGES AGAINST HIM. JARDIM
SAID HE IS COMPLETELY DEVOTED TO SERVICE OF AN INDEPENDENT MOZAMBIQUE

,
AIMING AT EARLY RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF PEACE AND RACIAL HARMONY IN WHICH
ALL CAN PARTICIPATE WITH DIGNITY AND WITHOUT DISCRIMINATION. JARDIM
ASSERTED HE IS IN COMPLETE AGREEMENT WITH IDEAS AND IDEALS OF
MOVEMENT OF THE ARMED FORCES. HE SPECIFICALLY DENIED CHARGES AGAINST
HIM BY "CERTAIN SECTORS OF THE NEWS MEDIA AND THOSE BEHIND THEM WHO
ARE MY ENEMIES," INCLUDING CHARGE THAT HE IS BEHIND MYSTERIOUS
GROUPS IN VILA PEREIRA AREA, AGITATION OF BEIRA WORKERS, TERRORISM,
AND THAT HE PLANNED TO STAGE WHITE-LED MOZAMBIQUE UDI.

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2. PORTUGUESE ASSOCIATION OF MALAWI AUGUST 2 SENT LETTER TO

PRESIDENT BANDA EXPRESSING DEEP SENSE OF SHOCK AT GOP DECISION
CLOSE ITS EMBASSY IN MALAWI. NOTING SOME INCONVENIENCE WOULD BE
CAUSED BY ABSENCE CONSULAR SERVICES, PORTUGUESE ASSOCIATION SAID IT
NEVERTHELESS KNOWS IT CAN RELY UPON PROTECTION OF PORTUGUESE CITIZENS
AND MAINTENANCE OF PEACE AND HARMONY AND THEREFORE IS NOT WORRIED.
ASSOCIATION SAID PORTUGUESE IN MALAWI WILL CONTINUE TO PLAY THEIR
PART AS IN PAST.
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